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LB 286

title.) The bill was read on January 14 last year. It was referred to the Education Committee and was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vickers. We are on the committee amendments first.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. Chairman and members, the committee amendments delete the language in the bill that dealt with foreign exchange students, and the reason for that was that the committee felt that that was something that was being handled pretty adequately by most of the school districts in the state already and very honestly the largest school district in this state, the Omaha Public Schools, have a provision by regulation that they hold down the number of foreign exchange students that they grant this free tuition to to no more than 24 and they didn't want the door opened to just be an unlimited number. They would like to be able to have some sense of control on the number that they had, so they felt that this shouldn't be in the bill, so we eliminated that section of the bill. That is all the committee amendments do is eliminate the part of the bill that deals with foreign exchange students as far as their tuition is concerned. I would ask for adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Any further discussion on the committee amendments? If not, the question is the adoption of the committee amendments. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The committee amendments are adopted. Now to the bill, Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President and members, LB 286 allows the Department of Education to pay nonresident tuition directly to the County Nonresident Tuition Fund when high school wards of the state are placed in foster homes in a Class 1 District. Now there is a cost to the state. You need to understand that. The offset is that there is no